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**TOWN OF CUSHING
SELECTMEN MEETING
February 26, 2007
CUSHING COMMUNITY CENTER**

Selectmen Present: Alton Grover, David Glidden, Kim Young, Peter Haviland, and Randy Robbins.

Staff Present: Town Clerk Lisa Young

Board approved Warrant # 140

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

Peter Haviland motioned, Kim Young seconded, to approve the February 12, 2007 minutes as amended.
The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0

Changes to the Agenda

Resident Chester Knowles inquired if the Board would support equipping the Community Center with wireless internet service. Chairman Grover asked how much it would cost the town. Selectman David Glidden stated that it would be around \$500.00 dollars. After a brief discussion, it was decided that more research would be needed. David Glidden said to contact him after the town meeting and he will get a proposal together to send to the Board.

Old Business

Animal Care Facility Agreement- Chairman Alton Grover reported that he had contacted Martha Kalina Executive Director of the Humane Society of Knox County. She informed him that if the Animal Control Officer brought an animal to the shelter, and the shelter was full, that he would have to place the animal elsewhere until they had room, but she noted that in the last two years no animal has been turned away. Selectman Peter Haviland motioned, Randy Robbins seconded, to sign a one year contract with the Humane Society of Knox County. The motion passed

Board Approved 5-0

Robert Ellis addressed the Board inquiring if the board wanted the new sound system for the town meeting scheduled March 20, 2007. After a brief discussion, the Board decided that no decision could be made until they received prices for the equipment. Robert will get a quote for the system and report back to the Board.

New Business

Sign Town Warrant- Before the Board signed the Town Warrant; Selectman David Glidden reminded the board of a previous discussion to change the position of Treasurer from an elected to an appointed position. After a brief discussion Kim Young motioned, Randy Robbins seconded, to add an article to the Town Warrant to see if the Town shall vote to change the position of Treasurer from an elected to an appointed position. The motion passed. If the article passes the position would change to an appointed position March 2008.

Board Approved 5-0

Water Fountain- Chairman Alton Grover asked how the Board would like to proceed with the water fountain. Choices discussed were to remove it and add a water cooler, fix the odor and color problem, or remove it and add nothing. After a brief discussion, a decision was made to leave the water fountain intact and have Chairman Alton Grover contact Arnold Hill to see if a filter system would fix the odor and color problem.

Auditor- Selectman David Glidden reminded the Board that an appointment needed to be set up with the Towns' auditor. Selectman Kim Young said she would get the number from Town Clerk Lisa Young and set up an appointment.

Planning Board- Selectman David Glidden stated that this year there should be less of a need for an attorney for the Planning Board; therefore, the Professional Services budget could possibly support the fees for a land-use planner to help the Planning Board. Selectman David Glidden motioned, Kim Young seconded, that a member of the Board of Selectmen contact Daniel Remian, Chairman of the Planning Board, giving the Planning Board support from the Board of Selectmen to look into acquiring services from a land-use planner. The motion passed. Selectman Kim Young will contact Daniel Remian.

Board Approved 5-0

Selectman Kim Young reported that she is planning on meeting with Assessors' Agent Garnett Robinson on Thursday to discuss the new Maine's Working Waterfront Tax Law.

Selectman Kim Young reported for the Cemetery Board that they are organizing the maintenance of the Cushing Burial List. Chester Knowles is in the process of retyping the burial list into a new database, and once this is complete, the Town Clerk could add new burials to the master list.

Selectman Kim Young reported that a group would like to have a memorial garden next to the library end of the Community Center. The plants would be donated. Kim Young motioned, Randy Robbins seconded, to permit a garden to be planted next to the library end of the Community Center. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0

David Glidden motioned, Kim Young seconded, to adjourn at 7:39 PM. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Young
Recording Secretary
Town Clerk

